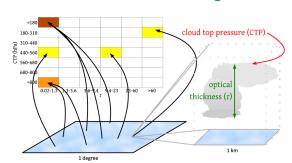


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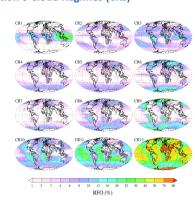
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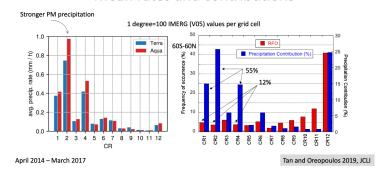
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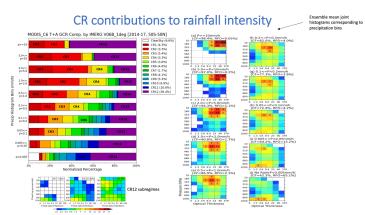


Quick Summary

- Systematic cloud classification through Cloud Regimes (CRs) helps us understand patterns of precipitation
- Different CRs have distinct but also common precipitation characteristics with regard to means and subgrid variability
- CRs occurring 12% of the time produce 55% of precipitation

Mean rates and contributions





Subgrid variability Examples of IMERG precipitation fields within a 1° grid cell around the time of a CR occurrence

Summary of precipitation characteristics for select CRs

